

SERVICES IN KINGS CANYON PARK & USFS AREAS

Grant Grove Area

GRANT GROVE VILLAGE

6600' (2008 m) elevation. This was originally General Grant National Park, created in 1890 to protect sequoias from logging. Here you can see both a pristine grove & one that was logged in the 1800s. In addition to picnicking and horseback riding (see page 3), the village offers:

INFORMATION

- **Visitor Center (NPS):** Daily 9am-5pm through 5/1, then 8am-5pm through 6/16. Starting 6/17, 8am-6pm. Exhibits & a 15-minute slide show on the area's natural & human history, books, maps, first aid. Local wilderness permits issued 8am-4pm only. 559-565-4307.

FOOD & SHOPS (KCPS)

- **Restaurant:** *Through 5/26* -Sun-Thur 8am-2pm & 5-7pm (8pm om Fri/Sat). Starting 5/27 7am-2pm, 5pm-9pm
- **Gift Shop:** Daily 9am-7pm (8pm Friday-Saturday) through 5/26, then 8am-9pm. Souvenirs, film, clothing. ATM in lobby.
- **Market:** Daily 9am-7pm (8pm Friday-Saturday) through 5/26, then 8am-9pm. Groceries, bear canisters, emergency gasoline, supplies.

OTHER SERVICES

- **Camping & Lodging:** See page 10-11 for details.
- **Showers (KCPS):** Open 5/27, daily 11am-4pm.
- **Post Office:** Hours may vary. Starting 5/1, Mon-Fri, 9am-4pm, Saturday 9-11:30am. Lobby & stamp machine 24 hours. Address visitor mail: c/o General Delivery, Kings Canyon NP, CA 93633. 559-335-2499.

Cedar Grove Area

CEDAR GROVE VILLAGE

4600' (1410 m) elevation. This glaciated valley features towering granite cliffs, tumbling waterfalls, and the powerful Kings River — "a rival to the Yosemite," according to John Muir. In summer the area offers picnicking and horseback riding (see page 3), as well as:

INFORMATION – Only camping available prior to May 12

- **Visitor Center (NPS):** Open 5/28-30 (Memorial Day weekend) 9am - 5pm, then closed. Starting 6/18, daily 9am-5pm. 559-565-3793.
- **Wilderness permits (NPS):** at Road's End, 6 miles (9.6 km) east of the village. Self-issue permits through 5/26, then 7am-3pm daily.
- **Camping (NPS):** Details on page 11.

FOOD, LODGING & SHOPS (KCPS) Open starting May 12

- **Restaurant:** Counter-service meals & snack bar (not a full-service restaurant). *From 5/12-6/9:* weekdays 8-10:30am & 5pm-7pm. Saturday-Sunday 8am-2pm & 5-7pm. *Starting 6/10,* daily 7am-2pm & 5pm-9pm. Lunch supplies available at market.
- **Gift Shop & Market:** Salads, sandwiches, supplies, bear canisters, souvenirs, film. *From 5/12-6/9:* 8am-7pm. *Starting 6/10,* 7am-9pm.
- **Lodging:** First night open 5/12. See page 10 for details.
- **Showers & Laundry:** *From 5/12-6/9:* 8am-6pm. *Starting 6/10,* 7am-7pm. Last laundry load in by 1 hour before closing. Get shower key at market. Shower closed 1-3pm daily for cleaning.

CELEBRATE SEQUOIAS IN SEPTEMBER!

On September 10, join us at the **7th Annual Celebrate Sequoias Festival** in Grant Grove Village. Enjoy walks to less-visited groves, music, arts and crafts, kid's activities, and talking to experts about the awesome giant sequoias.



USFS: National Forest & Monument

HUME LAKE & BIG MEADOWS AREAS (FS)

Giant Sequoia National Monument, part of Sequoia National Forest, borders much of the western edge of these National Parks. You are in National Forest when you drive between the park areas of Lodgepole and Grant Grove, and between Grant Grove and Cedar Grove (see page 2 for more on Parks and Forests). It was sold to the government as a Forest Reserve in 1935. It is an excellent place to see recovery from intensive sequoia logging in the late 1800s. Snowy in winter, in summer it offers picnicking & horseback riding (see page 3) as well as:

INFORMATION

- **USFS Hume Lake District Office (FS):** 35860 Kings Canyon Road (Hwy 180) in Dunlap, 19 miles (31 km) west of Kings Canyon Park entrance at Big Stump. Weekdays 8am-4:30pm. Open Saturdays starting 5/21. Maps, books. 1-559-338-2251; www.fs.fed.us/r5/sequoia.

OTHER SERVICES

- **Camping (FS) & Lodging (private):** See pages 10 & 11 for details.
- **Boyden Cavern:** On Hwy 180 between Grant Grove & Cedar Grove. Cave tours on the hour 11am-4pm through May then 10am-5pm. \$10 ages 14 & up; \$5 ages 3-13; under 3 free. AAA discounts. On Hwy 180 between Grant Grove & Cedar Grove. 209-736-2708.
- **Stony Creek Village (FS):** Open 5/15. Lodging, market, showers. *Through 6/10:* Market 7:30am-7pm (8pm Friday-Saturday); closed Monday-Tuesday. Call for restaurant hours. Showers 8am-6pm. *Starting 6/11:* Market 7am-8pm (9pm Friday-Saturday); restaurant Tuesday-Sunday 11:30am-2pm & 5-8pm (9pm Friday-Saturday); closed Monday. Showers 8am-7pm. 1-866-KCANYON or 1-559-565-3909.
- **Montecito-Sequoia Resort (FS):** A permitted resort on public land open year-round. On Generals Highway, 9 miles (14.5km) south of Grant Grove. *Through June 9:* breakfast 8-9:30am, lunch 12-1:30pm, dinner 6-7:30pm. *Starting June 10:* 7:30-9am, 12-1:30pm, 5:30-7pm. Cabins, hotel, children's activities. 800-843-8677 or 559-565-3388.
- **Historic Guard Station at Big Meadows (FS)** See page 10.
- **Boat & Bicycle Rentals, Swimming, Fishing:** Private facilities open to public at Hume Lake, 8 miles (13km) north of Grant Grove on Hwy 180 then 3 miles (5 km) south on Hume Lake Road. 24-hour laundry (coin operated) & gas station (with credit card). Market weekdays, 8am-12 & 1-5pm, weekends 8am-5pm through mid-June, then weekdays 8am-10:30pm, Saturday 7am-7pm. Snack bar hours vary until 6/12, then 11am-11pm daily. Call for details: 559-335-2000.

GASOLINE SALES

Hume Lake Christian Camp - 24 hours with credit card. *Stony Creek Village* - 24 hours with credit card (heavy snow may delay availability of gas this spring). *Kings Canyon Lodge* - usually 9am-dark. See Mountain Driving, page 11, for more details.

NATURE PROGRAMS



IN GRANT GROVE:

- ♦ **Saturdays at 2pm through May 28:** rangers offer **Grant Tree Walks**. Starting May 9, we also offer walks on Sundays. Meet at Grant Tree parking area for this one-hour, 3/8-mile stroll.
- ♦ **Memorial Day weekend: Saturday May 28 & Sunday May 29** campfire programs at Sunset amphitheater, 8:30pm. See bulletin boards for details.
- ♦ **No programs offered May 31-June 16. June 17-23:** check bulletin boards.
- ♦ **June 24:** daily walks & campfire talks begin at Grant Grove!

IN CEDAR GROVE: Regular programs begin in late June, but check bulletin boards for occasional activities before then, especially on Memorial Day weekend.